OPERATING ROOM SPECIALIST COURSE PREREQUISITES CRS 301-91D10

EFFECTIVE: 01 MAY 00 LAST UPDATED: 30 APR 02

Open to Active Army SPC non-promotable and below, Reserve Component SGT and below, and DOD civilians. Active Army and Reserve Component soldiers holding MOS 91A, 91K, 91P, 91V, and 91WM6 will not be considered. First term soldiers cannot apply for reclassification until the end of their first term of service. Minimum Time-In-Service (TIS) remaining requirement upon completion of this course is 16 months for the Active Army. NGR 351-1 (3 years) and AR 135-200 (2 years) govern TIS remaining requirement for the Reserve Component. Height and weight IAW AR 600-9, and mental and physical standards IAW DA PAM 611-21. The physical demands rating is medium. Soldiers must meet the following criteria. Soldiers must have a skill technical (ST) score of 92 or higher; physical profile limit not greater than 222221; normal color vision; no aversion to the sight of internal organs or blood; no history of chronic or recurrent skin disorders; and no allergic conditions to cleaning agents, antiseptics, or disinfectants. All soldiers must be able to stand for long periods of time, and with no temporary disability including pregnancy or postpartum complications at anytime during the course. Enlisted women who are pregnant must be processed IAW AR 635-200.

Prior to the departure from home station, soldiers are required to reenlist or reenlist or extend their terms of enlistment in order to fulfill the TIS remaining requirement upon completion of the course. When reporting to the AMEDD Center & School for training, and it is determined that the soldiers do not meet the TIS remaining requirement, they will not be accepted into the course unless they reenlist or extend to meet the TIS requirement.

SPECIAL INFORMATION: Reserve Component soldiers will arrive at Fort Sam Houston with the following items MPRJ 201 file, Medical Record, Dental Record and complete basic clothing issue, to include running shoes. DOD civilians must be assigned to MEDCOM and unit commanders incur all TDY/travel costs associated with civilian training. Active Army must utilize DA Form 4187 and include ERB, DA Form 2-1, and letters of recommendation from an Operating Room surgeon or nurse, and letters of commendation from the chain of command evaluating applicant's potential and ability to complete the training. SUBMIT ALL REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS TO: CDR, AMEDD Center & School, AMEDD Personnel Proponent Directorate, ATTN: MCCS-DE, 1400 E. Grayson Street, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5052.

COURSE SCOPE

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The 91D10, Operating Room Specialist Course is designed to provide the student with a working knowledge of principles of surgical technology practice, and the instruments, supplies, and equipment for surgical procedures. Phase 1 (9 weeks) didactic study includes: basic anatomy and physiology; vital signs, cardiopulmonary resuscitation; principles and methods of decontamination, sterilization and disinfection; storage and handling of sterile supplies; identification and care of surgical instruments, specialized equipment, sutures, needles, blades, linen, and corrosion-resistant metal ware; duties of the scrub and circulating technician; principles and practices of sterile technique and standard precautions; transporting and positioning patients; operating room safety; handling of specimens, medications, dyes and hemostatic agents; and surgical specialties as they relate to selected surgical procedures. A field training exercise (FTX) is also incorporated into the course. Phase 2 (10 weeks) is on-the-job training in the clinical environment.

Course is 19 weeks.